

REMARKS

Claims remaining in the present patent application are numbered 20-24 and 47-57. Claims 55-57 are new. No new matter has been added. Applicants have submitted the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment document, Applicants' response of March 23, 2004. Specifically, the listing of the claims indicates that Claims 1-19 and Claims 25-46 are or have been canceled.

The rejections and comments of the Examiner set forth in the Office Action dated December 24, 2003 have been carefully considered by the Applicants in the Applicants' response of March 23, 2004. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider and allow the remaining claims.

CONCLUSION

In light of the facts and arguments presented, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected Claims.


Based on the arguments presented above, Applicants respectfully assert that Claims 20-24 and Claims 47-57 overcome the rejections of record. Therefore, Applicants respectfully solicit allowance of these Claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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